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I hope your plans for travelling work out well; and I look forward to seeing you. January 1973 (but after the 9th) should be quite convenient for me.

If you are going after the history of antibiotics, you can still connect with Waksman, Chain, Dubos, Hotchkiss as surviving figures who may be able to add to the documentary record. The Schatz-Waksman litigation may have had one useful side-effect, of securing such a record.

The theory of antibiotics, as non-natural secretory products, which was important to secure patent protection in some instances, is another interesting wrinkle.

Under separate cover I've sent you an old review on the mechanisms of antibiotic resistance, to remind you how this related to fundamental issues of ?-Lamarckian adaptation. You will also surely have perused Dubos' "The Bacterial Cell" for its background on the biological perspective of antibiosis.

Sincerely,

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